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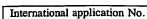
### INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

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V Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement								
VI Certain docum	VI Certain documents cited							
VII Certain defects in the international application								
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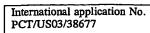


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#### INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT I. Basis of the report 1. With regard to the elements of the international application:\* the international application as originally filed. the description: \_ as originally filed pages 1-16 \_\_\_\_, filed with the demand pages NONE , filed with the letter of pages NONE the claims: \_\_\_\_\_, as originally filed \_\_\_\_\_, as amended (together with any statement) under Article 19 pages 17 and 18 pages NONE \_\_\_\_, filed with the demand pages NONE pages NONE \_\_, filed with the letter of the drawings: \_\_\_, as originally filed pages NONE \_, filed with the demand pages NONE \_\_\_\_, filed with the letter of \_\_\_ pages NONE the sequence listing part of the description: \_\_\_\_\_, as originally filed pages NONE , filed with the demand pages NONE , filed with the letter of pages NONE 2. With regard to the language, all the elements marked above were available or furnished to this Authority in the language in which the international application was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item. These elements were available or furnished to this Authority in the following language \_\_\_\_\_ which is: the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (under Rule23.1(b)). the language of publication of the international application (under Rule 48.3(b)). the language of the translation furnished for the purposes of international preliminary examination(under Rules 55.2 and/or 55.3). 3. With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, the international preliminary examination was carried out on the basis of the sequence listing: contained in the international application in printed form. filed together with the international application in computer readable form. furnished subsequently to this Authority in written form. furnished subsequently to this Authority in computer readable form. The statement that the subsequently furnished written sequence listing does not go beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed has been furnished. The statement that the information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written sequence listing has been furnished. The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of: the description, pages NONE the claims, Nos. NONE the drawings, sheets/fig NONE This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments had not been made, since they have been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed, as indicated in the Supplemental Box (Rule 70.2(c)).\*\* \* Replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to this report since they do not contain amendments (Rules 70.16 and 70.17). \*\* Any replacement sheet containing such amendments must be referred to under item 1 and annexed to this report.

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V. Reasoned statement under Rule 66.2(a)(ii citations and explanations supporting such	) with regar h statement	d to novelty, inv	ventive step or indus	trial applicability;
1. STATEMENT				
Novelty (N)	Claims	1-3	-	YES
	Claims	NONE		NO
Inventive Step (IS)	Claims	1-3		YES
		NONE		NO
Industrial Applicability (IA)	Claims	1_2		YES
industrial Applicationly (IA)	Claims			NO
2. CITATIONS AND EXPLANATIONS Claims 1-3 meet the criteria set out in PCT Article 3: claimed compounds for the treatment of AMD, DR a	3(2)-(3), beca and /or retinal	use the prior art do edema.	es not teach or fairly su	ggest the use of the
Claims 1-3 meet the criteria set out in PCT Article 3: can be made or used in industry.	3(4), and thus	have industrial app	olicability because the s	ubject matter claimed
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